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Labeling of Goods Made by Blind Persons

Sec. 10-300a-1. Definitions

(a) "Blind." The word "blind" used herein shall have the same definition as set forth in Connecticut General Statutes, Sec. 10-294a (a).

(b) "Blind labor." The phrase "blind labor" used herein shall have the same definition as set forth in Connecticut General Statutes, Section 10-294a (c).

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Sec. 10-300a-2. Annual registration

Any person, institute, agency or nonprofit corporation which plans to label, designate or represent its goods, wares or merchandise as having been manufactured or produced in whole or in part by any blind person or by any public or private institute, agency or corporation serving the blind shall register annually, on July 1, with the board of education and services for the blind. No such goods, wares or merchandise may be labeled, designated or represented as products of blind persons unless the requirements in Section 10-300a-3 of these regulations are met and the application for registration is approved by the board of education and services for the blind.

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Sec. 10-300a-3. Application

(a) Initial application

The board of education and services for the blind shall furnish an application for registration on request. The properly completed application shall be notarized and returned to the board of education and services for the blind which shall review the application for compliance with the statutes and regulations and notify the applicant by letter within thirty (30) days of receipt of completed application information whether or not the registration is in compliance. If the registration is not in compliance, the applicant shall be advised in writing of the reasons for disapproval. In the event of disapproval, the applicant may request a review meeting with the agency. Such request shall be submitted to the agency chief, division of industries, within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of disapproval, and a meeting will be scheduled within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of such request.

(b) Renewal

By July 1 of each year, each person, institute, agency or nonprofit corporation which plans to continue activities covered by the initial registration shall submit a renewal application on the form available from the board of education and services for the blind, reporting any changes to the initial application information.

(c) Application information

The applicant for registration shall furnish, as required by the board of education and services for the blind, a listing and samples of products of blind persons to be sold, the names of current employees who are blind and producing these products along with their current wage rates, a copy of the most recent OSHA Form No. 102 (Annual Summary), and any other information pertinent to the application as determined by the board of education and services for the blind.

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Sec. 10-300a-4. Suspension of registration

If a question of non-compliance arises for an individual or organization with approved registration, the board of education and services for the blind may request

appropriate additional information which shall be furnished within 14 calendar days of receipt of the request.

If a compliance problem is identified, the registrant will be advised in writing and have twenty-one (21) calendar days from the time of notification to correct the problem and advise the board of education and services for the blind.

If a compliance problem is not corrected within the twenty-one (21) day period, a compliance hearing will be scheduled within twenty-one (21) calendar days thereafter as required by Connecticut General Statutes, Sections 4-177 and 4-182. The registrant will be advised of the hearing decision within twenty-one (21) calendar days after the hearing.

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